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December 18, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Re: New United States Patent Application
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
SUPPORTING COMMUNICATIONS
WITHIN A VIRTUAL TEAM
ENVIRONMENT
Inventor(s): Christopher THOMPSON, et al.
Assignee: Nortel Networks Limited and Bell Canada
Our File: 9-13528-143US KD/bm

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION:

**METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SUPPORTING
COMMUNICATIONS WITHIN A VIRTUAL TEAM
ENVIRONMENT**

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- a) Utility Patent Application Transmittal PTO/SB/05
- b) Specification/Claims/Abstract with Declaration/Power of Attorney
- c) Assignment in favor of Nortel Networks Limited and Bell Canada, with Recordation Form PTO-1619A
- d) Formal Drawings (39 Sheets - Figs. 1 - 36)
- e) Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449
- f) Our cheque No. 006923, Patent Application Fee Determination Record PTO/SB/06 and Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17, covering:

Filing Fee	\$ 710.00
Recording of Assignment	\$ 40.00
Total Number of Claims: 65	
Independent claims in excess of 3 (.. @ \$80)	\$
Claims in excess of 20 (45 @ \$18)	\$ <u>810.00</u>
Total	\$1,560.00

The applicant/inventors qualify for large entity status

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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 144].
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 39]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 5].
- a. Newly executed (original or copy)
Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

Attorney Docket No.	9-13528-143US
First Inventor	THOMPSON, Christopher
Title	METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SUPPORTING COMM.
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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. paper
 - c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS
Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35
or its equivalent.
17. Other:

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.: _____ / _____

Prior application information: Examiner _____

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Attorney Docket No.	9-13528-143US

METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number 19-5113

Deposit Account Name Swabey Ogilvy Renault

 Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. Payment Enclosed:

 Check Credit card Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 710	201 355	Utility filing fee	710
106 320	206 160	Design filing fee	
107 490	207 245	Plant filing fee	
108 710	208 355	Reissue filing fee	
114 150	214 75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 710.00)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
65	-20** = 45	X 18	= 810
2	- 3** =	X	= 0
Multiple Dependent			= 0

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 810)

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105 130	205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130 Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520 For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112 920*	112 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55 Extension for reply within first month	
116 390	216 195 Extension for reply within second month	
117 890	217 445 Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,390	218 695 Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,890	228 945 Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 310	219 155 Notice of Appeal	
120 310	220 155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 270	221 135 Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,240	241 620 Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,240	242 620 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 440	243 220 Design issue fee	
144 600	244 300 Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50 Petitions related to provisional applications	
126 240	126 240 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
146 710	246 355 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 710	249 355 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 710	279 355 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify)		
Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid		SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 40)

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